DEPOSITION TESTIMONY: BRINKER

- 1 from the company, I had no reason to keep them.
- 2 I've read the suit and such and had that paper,
- 3 but when it finally started coming to Court, I
- 4 just destroyed everything.
- 5 Q. When it finally started coming to
- 6 Court, you just destroyed everything --
- 7 A. Well, after.
- 8 Q. -- is that your testimony?
- 9 A. That would have been after
- 10 December the 3rd.
- 11 Q. So if I understand this correctly,
- 12 you destroyed all of the documents in your
- 13 possession related to Oak Hills after December
- 14 3rd, 1999, correct?
- MR. BURKE: Objection. Calls for
- 16 speculation. You may answer.
- 17 A. Actually some before and some
- 18 after, yes.
- 19 Q. Okay.
- A. All of them.
- Q. Why did you do this?
- 22 A. Because there was too much -- I
- 23 mean, you know, in a home you don't keep piling
- 24 papers up and I didn't care to have all that
- 25 stuff sitting around.

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1	Q. Okay.
2	A. Since we were not a company
3	anymore and I was not in there, I didn't think
4	it bothered me at all.
5	Q. How did you destroy these
6	documents?
7	A. Through the shredder.
8	Q. Did that take a long time?
9	A. Well, certainly, but I was doing
10	some from the company before that time, so
11	Q. Okay. Let me direct your
12	attention to 1999. When did you first start
13	destroying documents related to Oak Hills?
14	MR. BURKE: And let me mention or
15	caution you, Norb, make sure you're testifying
16	from actual recollection as opposed to
17	assumptions. He's asking you as to what
18	occurred in December 1999.
19	MR. BRAUTIGAM: Actually I'm not,
20	Jim. We don't need your speaking objections.
21	We don't need your instructions. We don't need
22	your misstating my questions. Have it read

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control yourself. Please control yourself and

back, please.

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MR. BURKE: Mr. Brautigam, please

- 1 act like a professional.
- 2 (Record read by Reporter.)
- A. Well, it would have been in
- 4 December of '99, I guess after the closing.
- 5 Q. Well, a moment ago you said some
- 6 before and some after.
- 7 A. Well, I was talking about papers
- 8 of the Oak Hills Savings and Loan, which I was
- 9 connected with, and part of before the thing.
- 10 Our company papers, and I destroyed all of
- 11 them. I had no reason to have them.
- 12 Q. I'm interested in that as well.
- When did you first start destroying documents
- in 1999, related to Oak Hills in any way?
- 15 A. Well, I would say I really can't
- 16 recollect the exact time.
- 17 Q. Okay. Was it --
- 18 A. But it was --
- 19 Q. -- in the winter?
- 20 MR. BURKE: Objection. Asked and
- 21 answered. You may answer if you know.
- 22 A. I really can't pinpoint a time. I
- just know I started getting rid of papers
- 24 because they were piling up too much and -- and
- 25 it was Oak Hills papers, which I knew we

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- wouldn't -- if the thing had gone through, I
- 2 destroyed what I didn't -- wouldn't need.
- Q. Okay. How did you determine what
- 4 you would need and what you wouldn't need?
- 5 A. Well, I'm talking about basically
- 6 with -- the company records was like some
- 7 copies of Board meetings and all of Oak Hills
- 8 stuff, and I didn't figure I would have any
- 9 need of them, whether this sale went through or
- 10 not.
- 11 Q. Is there any way you can pinpoint
- 12 with greater specificity, when you started
- destroying documents in 1999?
- MR. BURKE: Objection. Asked and
- 15 answered. You may answer again.
- 16 A. As I said, I can't remember the
- 17 exact date, but it was -- I started on the Oak
- 18 Hills papers, gosh, I don't know, probably
- 19 earlier in 1999, because I had no reason to --
- 20 for the papers that I had, to keep for any
- 21 reason.
- Q. And what papers specifically are
- 23 we talking about?
- 24 A. Reports from management to the
- 25 Board, copies of Board meetings, which I didn't

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- 1 feel I needed, and all reports from different
- 2 committees.
- Q. And all of these documents were
- 4 shredded, correct?
- 5 A. Um-hmm.
- 6 Q. Yes?
- 7 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. And you personally did the
- 9 shredding, correct?
- 10 A. Yes, sir.
- 11 Q. Why did you shred these documents?
- 12 A. Because I didn't want to throw
- 13 them out as they were, just tear them up and
- 14 have the papers end up in a dump where they
- 15 would be whole. I shredded them so that they
- 16 couldn't be seen by anybody.
- Q. Please describe, for the record,
- 18 what your home office looked like where you did
- 19 your Oak Hills business.
- A. At home?
- 21 Q. Yes.
- 22 A. It was in our -- I live in a
- 23 condominium. We have living quarters on the
- top and we have a big room downstairs, which I
- 25 had a desk and I did the work down there.

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1	Q. And did you have these oak Hills
2	related documents in file cabinets or in boxes
3	Please describe to me how you had these
4	documents.
5	A. Well, actually the biggest part or
6	them, or a big part of them were being piled up
7	on the desk. And some of them were in books
8	that were would relate to one particular
9	thing, you know.
10	Q. And during 1999, you maintained
11	books and records related to the proposed
12	merger with Provident or other potential
13	acquirers at your home, correct?
14	A. You say books. Yes, the book I
15	had was all of the resolutions and such that
16	had to be made and we had to have on record at
17	Oak Hills.
18	Q. Now, during 1999, did you take
19	notes at Board meetings and committee meetings
20	and things like that?
21	A. I didn't take notes, I just
22	conducted the meetings. And I was always give
23	a copy of the meetings from our president, who
24	conducted who took his notes and really
25	conducted the business of the meeting, because
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1	A. My final agreement personally to
2	sign the agreement was after I had been all
3	opinions and all efforts had been defeated, and
4	so just to espouse a unanimous vote I was
5	not asked to do that, that was something
6	personally that I did so just to show that,
7	that unanimous that unanimous vote, I did do
8	that.
9	Q. Was it important that the vote to
10	sell the company be unanimous?
11	A. That was never stressed by the
12	marketers or our legal counsel. In discussions
13	with different folks throughout the
14	transaction, it had been expressed to me that
15	that would make the sale go better, but that
16	was never I was never persuaded to do that.
17	That was something that I just did on my own.
18	Q. Who told you that it would make
19	the sale go better?
20	A. I had talked with, again, various
21	people over the years, not specific just to
22	this transaction, but there's some
23	representatives from Stifel, Nicolaus out of
24	St. Louis, some folks from ABN AMRO out of
25	Chicago, and our own, our own marketers, the
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- Q. The breakup fee?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Anything else?
- 5 A. That and the detriment that would
- 6 be done to reputation, everything else. We
- 7 tried to run as clean an organization as we
- 8 could run, and independent and community
- 9 oriented. And I think again, once you've
- 10 announced -- that's why I fought the ad hoc
- 11 committee, once you announce that you're for
- sale, the whole tenor of your day-to-day
- 13 operation changes. Customers change,
- 14 employees' thought processes change, everything
- changes.
- Q. Would you characterize this deal
- 17 as remarkable in terms of shareholder value?
- 18 A. I don't know that I would.
- MR. BURKE: Objection to form.
- 20 You may answer.
- 21 A. I don't know that I would have
- used the term remarkable, no, sir.
- 23 Q. Why not?
- A. Because of the value that was
- 25 created for the, you know, in the proposal of

- 1 A. Well, I offered my opinion.
- 2 MR. BURKE: Him personally, you're
- 3 saying?
- 4 Q. Yes.
- 5 MR. BURKE: Objection.
- 6 A. Yeah, I offered my opinion. My
- 7 opinion was not in the final document.
- 8 Q. Well, how about at the shareholder
- 9 meeting? Did people say, is this really a good
- 10 idea, in words or substance to you?
- 11 A. In, in that meeting, when it was
- 12 asked is this -- I believe the question was, is
- this a good transaction, is it a good
- 14 transaction. I have to answer yes. Is it a
- 15 transaction that Ken Hanauer would have gone
- out and sought, no, but that wasn't the
- 17 question that was asked. I wasn't ready to
- 18 retire at 50.
- 19 Q. So you were being extremely
- 20 precise with your language at the shareholder
- 21 meeting?
- 22 A. Yes, sir, I was.
- Q. Even if it didn't convey the full
- 24 extent of your feeling?
- 25 A. I did not let my personal feelings

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1	Had I resigned immediately before the deal was
2	signed, it might have been better for the
3	shareholders because they could have perceived
4	that the renegade was gone. Had I resigned
5	after the deal was done, you know, there may
6	have been some perceptions there, but the deal
7	was already cut, so I'm not sure.
8	Those are all things that as you
9	get into a transaction that is not a
10	transaction of your making, you have to deal
11	with. And it was this was a very difficult
12	time for me personally and professionally.
13	Q. Aside from considering and
14	ultimately rejecting resigning as CEO and
15	director of the company, what else could you
16	have done to add some chaos to the process, to
17	paraphrase your previous answer?
18	A. I think I could have probably
19	joined forces with folks who wanted to stop the
20	transaction. That would have that would
21	have been violating, in my opinion, a fiduciary
22	liability to the fiduciary responsibility to
23	the shareholders because, you know, you would
24	be acting I would be acting personally more

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than professionally.

- 1 Q. Now, let's talk about these personal
- 2 feelings. When you were conducting this meeting,
- 3 you were a board member and a CEO of Oak Hills at
- 4 that time, correct?
- 5 MR. BURKE: Objection, asked and
- 6 answered. Already established that.
- 7 A. Yes.
- Q. And do you feel that the shareholders
- 9 of Oak Hills had a right to your opinion as the
- 10 CEO of the company and also as a director of the
- 11 company?
- 12 A. Not in that forum. I believe if they
- 13 wanted my personal opinion, they certainly had
- 14 the opportunity to ask my personal opinion and I
- 15 would have given it to them. But I was not in a
- 16 position to offer or editorialize on my personal
- 17 opinion.
- 18 Q. Can you please explain to me the
- 19 difference between your personal opinion and your
- 20 opinion as a board member and a CEO of the
- 21 company?
- 22 A. The means by which we got to this
- 23 transaction was not a means in which I would have
- 24 taken. I did not feel that, personally, that I
- 25 would have entered into this transaction in this

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- 1 at that point, and you said that you felt you
- were ultimately successful, correct?
- 3 A. I believe at the end of the
- 4 discussion his recollection was cleared that
- 5 \$22.50 a share was not an absolute, yes, sir.
- 6 Q. Did anyone else present at the
- 7 meeting say anything on this topic?
- 8 A. There was general discussion. I do
- 9 not have recollection as to specific
- 10 conversations that other individuals might have
- 11 offered.
- 12 Q. Your term "general discussion"
- implies that other people spoke in addition to
- 14 you and Mr. Brinker.
- 15 A. That's correct.
- Q. Can you tell me the sum and
- 17 substance, if not the actual words, that were
- said with respect to this particular point?
- 19 A. Only that other members were aware of
- 20 the exchange ratio and the calculation and how it
- 21 was to be handled. Again, I had a handout for
- them in that meeting, and they were reviewing
- 23 that handout.
- Q. And at this meeting, it looked
- 25 increasingly that the shareholders would get

- 1 MR. BRAUTIGAM: I won't proceed by
- 2 your lead. I just want to make that clear. Can
- 3 I have the last question read back, please?
- 4 (The record was read by the reporter.)
- 5 A. No, sir, that would not be fair. I
- 6 believe that I'll try to answer your questions as
- 7 completely and as forthright as I can. I'm
- 8 trying to listen to your questions carefully so
- 9 that I don't answer something you haven't asked.
- 10 But again, I will volunteer and give you any
- information that I can that can be factual.
- 12 Q. Okay. Let's jump to the special
- 13 meeting of the shareholders. You testified
- 14 previously that at that meeting you said it was a
- 15 good transaction, correct?
- 16 A. I believe it was a fair transaction.
- 17 I believe the terminology I used was a fair
- 18 transaction, yes.
- 19 Q. And you also testified that you did
- 20 not believe that this transaction was in the best
- 21 interests of the shareholders, correct?
- 22 A. I testified that was my personal
- 23 belief, yes, sir.
- Q. And you also testified that you
- 25 didn't have to reveal your personal belief at

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- 1 that meeting because nobody asked you that
- 2 precise question at the shareholder meeting,
- 3 correct?
- 4 A. It was my belief that it was not my
- 5 position to offer my personal feelings, and I
- 6 abstained from doing that in that meeting, and no
- one asked me my personal feelings. So I was very
- 8 careful not to interject in that meeting my
- 9 personal feelings and my emotions, yes, sir.
- 10 That's my testimony.
- 11 Q. Okay. At this deposition, unless I
- 12 tell you otherwise, I am not asking for your
- 13 personal feelings or your personal emotions. I'm
- 14 asking for your opinion as the CEO of Oak Hills
- and also as a board member; is that fair?
- 16 A. That's fine.
- Q. Can we proceed on that basis?
- 18 A. Yes, sir.
- 19 Q. Let me direct your attention to page
- 20 3186 in this document, which is Hanauer
- 21 Exhibit 1. And when we broke last time, we were
- 22 discussing a series of bullet points, correct?
- A. Yes, sir, I believe we were.
- Q. And I think we're up to the bullet
- 25 point more or less in the middle of the page, and

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- 1 your note to the right of that. Do you see your
- 2 note, sir?
- 3 A. Referencing, "Substantially greater
- 4 liquidity?" Is that where you're referring?
- 5 Q. Are you on 3186?
- 6 A. That's where I am, yes, sir.
- 7 Q. Okay. Do you see your note to the
- 8 right of that?
- 9 A. "No mention of Lindner Family
- 10 Holdings."
- 11 Q. And why did you write that note in
- 12 your document?
- 13 A. That is a note that stems from a
- 14 conversation that I had had with Barry Forrester,
- 15 and again, it was his opinion that possibly this
- 16 document could have contained information to that
- 17 regard.
- 18 Q. Did you agree with that opinion?
- 19 A. I didn't know how that would taint
- 20 the transaction one way or another. It's a fact
- 21 that I believe that the Lindner family, through
- their various holdings, do have some sway over
- 23 the Provident Bank and Provident Financial, but I
- don't know that that would have done anything to
- 25 dissuade this transaction or have any effect on

- 1 management was against the transaction?
- 2 A. Cliff Roe knew that. He had been in
- 3 discussions with me and in meetings with me, and
- 4 he knew how this process -- how we had gotten to
- 5 this process. And I'm not sure that Cliff had a
- 6 lot of discussion with other members of
- 7 management. I know he had spoken with
- 8 Mr. Condren on several occasions and probably
- 9 would have determined that Mr. Condren was not a
- 10 fan of this transaction.
- 11 Q. And would it also be fair to say that
- 12 because you knew what Cliff's position was and he
- 13 knew what your position was, that you didn't
- 14 constantly or even frequently go to him and say,
- 15 "Hey, maybe we should include this? Maybe we
- 16 should include that"?
- 17 A. I went to Mr. Roe one time, and that
- 18 was after I had made all these notes, and talked
- 19 with him at that point in a phone conversation
- 20 with regards to some of the allegations that
- 21 Mr. Forrester had made. When I heard terms,
- "Omission of material fact," I raised those
- 23 questions -- raised some of those questions
- 24 throughout the document, I felt that that was a
- 25 point. I raised those with Mr. Roe, and he told

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- 1 MR. BURKE: I object. That's not the
- 2 question you asked him. That is not at all the
- 3 question you asked him. You asked him whether or
- 4 not there was a material fact omitted and he
- 5 said, "Based upon my understanding of that
- 6 phrase, " and he answered that question. Now, if
- 7 you want to change the question, that's fine, but
- 8 that's not what you asked him.
- 9 MR. BRAUTIGAM: Thank you for that
- 10 recap. Let me move on to my next question.
- 11 Q. Do you think that there are any
- 12 material facts in this document that are omitted?
- 13 A. No.
- 14 Q. Do you think that there are any
- 15 material facts in this document that are
- 16 misstated?
- 17 A. No.
- 18 Q. Can you say that without any
- 19 hesitation?
- 20 A. I think I did hesitate, but again, it
- 21 comes down to material fact, so my answer will be
- 22 no.
- Q. So it would be fair to say, then,
- 24 despite these extensive conversations that you've
- 25 had with Barry Forrester, he was not able to

- share, \$20 a share, \$25 a share?" We were trying
- 2 to get some feedback from every director
- 3 individually and then collectively so that we
- 4 could create some strategic thinking at our
- 5 committee level.
- 6 Q. How long a document was this
- 7 questionnaire?
- A. I believe it was two pages.
- 9 Q. And this was done in-house with
- 10 members of the strategic planning committee; is
- 11 that correct?
- 12 A. That's correct.
- 13 Q. And implicit in this questionnaire
- 14 was that OHSL would remain independent, correct?
- 15 A. We had a question in there with
- 16 regards to something to the effect, "Do you want
- 17 to see us increase the number of offices? If so,
- how many offices in these given time frames?
- 19 Should we seek strategic merger partners? Should
- 20 we sell? Should we remain independent?"
- 21 Questions like that were in this document.
- Q. In the third paragraph at the very
- end, it says, "M.U.C." Do you see that?
- 24 A. Yes. Motion unanimously carried.
- Q. Do you remember anything about this

- folks may have them and they may not have them.
- 2 It's at their sole discretion.
- 3 Q. But do you believe that they exist
- 4 between the books and records of Oak Hills
- 5 Savings and Loan?
- A. No, no. Hmm-um. They were not a
- 7 formal document that would have been kept like
- 8 a blackboard minutes, no.
- 9 Q. When is the last time you saw
- 10 these minutes, meaning the management team
- 11 minutes.
- 12 A. That would be, that would be
- 13 difficult. I had, I had my own set, which I
- 14 destroyed as I was cleaning my desk out,
- probably on or about this time -- no, I didn't
- do that until probably after December 3rd, so I
- 17 would have waited until after -- yeah, sometime
- 18 between December 3rd and December 31 as I was
- 19 cleaning out junk, I would have destroyed my
- 20 copy.
- Q. Okay. Let me get this straight.
- 22 Your testimony under oath is that after the
- 23 filing of this lawsuit, you destroyed documents
- 24 relevant to the lawsuit; is that correct?
- A. I didn't perceive the minutes of

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- 1 KENNETH HANAUER
- 2 having been previously duly sworn, further
- 3 testified as follows:
- 4 CONTINUED CROSS-EXAMINATION
- 5 BY MR. BRAUTIGAM:
- 6 Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Hanauer.
- 7 A. Good afternoon, sir.
- 8 Q. I remind you that you're still
- 9 under oath.
- 10 A. Okay.
- 11 Q. Mr. Hanauer, we talked at length
- 12 last time about the proxy materials and the
- 13 prospectus. Do you remember generally that
- 14 testimony?
- 15 A. Yes, sir.
- 16 Q. And we talked about the vote of
- 17 the Board of Directors of OHSL unanimously
- 18 approving the transaction. Do you remember
- 19 that testimony?
- 20 A. Yes, sir.
- 21 Q. And you testified over the course
- 22 of three days that the Board, in fact, did
- 23 approve the transaction unanimously. Do you
- 24 remember that testimony?
- 25 A. That's correct.

- 1 Q. Okay. And that is reflected here
- 2 on the first page of the proxy materials, where
- 3 it says, your Board of Directors has -- excuse
- 4 me, your Board of Directors unanimously
- 5 approved the acquisition and believes that it
- 6 is in the best interest of OHSL stockholders.
- 7 Do you see that?
- 8 A. Yes, sir, I do.
- 9 Q. And that sentence refers to the
- 10 8/2/99 vote, correct?
- 11 A. Yes, sir.
- 12 Q. Okay. You're familiar with the
- 13 word unanimously as it's used in that sentence,
- 14 correct?
- 15 A. Yes, sir.
- 16 Q. What do you understand that word
- 17 to mean as it's used in that sentence?
- 18 A. That everyone that participated in
- 19 the vote, voted in favor of the transaction.
- 20 Q. Okay. It doesn't say that in the
- 21 document, does it?
- 22 A. It's inferred with the term
- 23 unanimously. I don't believe it does, no, sir.
- 24 Q. Okay. It says, your Board of
- 25 Directors unanimously approved the

- 1 acquisition --
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. -- stop. Correct?
- 4 A. Correct.
- 5 Q. Now, as of 8/2/99, who were the
- 6 directors?
- 7 A. Norb Brinker, Bill Hillebrand, Al
- 8 Hucke, myself, Joe Tenoever, Tom McKiernan, and
- 9 Howard Zoellner, seven of us.
- 10 Q. Okay. And do you think it's a
- 11 reasonable reading of the first part of that
- 12 sentence, your Board of Directors unanimously
- 13 approved the acquisition, stop, that all seven
- 14 of the directors you just named voted in favor
- 15 of the transaction?
- 16 A. That is correct.
- 17 Q. Okay. Let's --
- 18 A. There was no opposition to the
- 19 vote, okay? At the time that we voted, there
- 20 was no opposition to the transaction.
- 21 Q. Okay. Let me ask the question
- 22 again.
- 23 A. Okay.
- 24 Q. With respect to that first part of
- 25 the sentence, your Board of Directors

- 1 unanimously approved the acquisition, stop.
- 2 A. Um-hmm.
- 3 Q. Do you believe as you sit here
- 4 today that it's a fair reading of that part of
- 5 the sentence that those seven directors you
- 6 named, unanimously voted to approve the
- 7 transaction?
- 8 A. They voted individually for the
- 9 transaction, yes, sir.
- 10 Q. All seven directors?
- 11 A. Yes, sir.
- 12 Q. Okay. Let's take a look at what
- 13 has been previously marked as McKiernan Exhibit
- 14 2, and I'm handing it to you. Have you seen
- 15 McKiernan Deposition Exhibit Number 2 before?
- 16 A. Yes, sir.
- 17 Q. Are you familiar with it?
- 18 A. Yes, sir.
- 19 Q. Do you recognize it?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. What is McKiernan Deposition
- 22 Exhibit Number 2?
- 23 A. It's a copy of the minutes of a
- 24 meeting held on August 2nd, 1999 of the Board
- of Directors, a special meeting of the Board of

- 1 Directors of OHSL Financial.
- Q. And this was the special meeting
- 3 that approved the transaction that we're
- 4 talking about, correct?
- 5 A. That's correct.
- 6 Q. Okay. Would you please read into
- 7 the record the directors who were present?
- 8 A. Brinker, Hanauer, Hillebrand,
- 9 Hucke, Tenoever, and Zoellner.
- 10 Q. Those are six directors, correct?
- 11 A. Absolutely.
- 12 Q. Mr. McKiernan was not present,
- 13 correct?
- 14 A. According to these minutes, he was
- 15 not, yes, sir.
- 16 Q. In fact, he was in Europe on a
- 17 cruise, correct?
- 18 A. I believe you're correct. He was
- 19 in the Mediterranean, I think, yes.
- 20 Q. Okay.
- 21 A. If memory serves me, yes.
- 22 Q. Would it be fair to say that Mr.
- 23 McKiernan, because he was not present, was not
- 24 one of the directors who unanimously voted to
- 25 approve the transaction?

- 1 A. Yes, sir, you can -- you could say
- 2 that.
- 3 Q. Is there any other reasonable
- 4 reading of McKiernan Exhibit 2 and the first
- 5 page of the proxy materials?
- 6 A. No, sir. Again, the proxy
- 7 materials state that the Board of Directors,
- 8 which would infer the whole Board of Directors,
- 9 unanimously approved. And in fact, in looking
- 10 at the minutes dated August 2, it was only the
- 11 directors at the meeting that unanimously
- 12 approved the transaction.
- 13 Q. Okay. Do you believe that Mr.
- 14 McKiernan's lack of a vote on this issue at
- 15 this meeting is material information?
- 16 A. Absolutely not, because he was
- 17 very pro the transaction. He was the one
- 18 that -- he was one of them that spurred the
- 19 transaction, so I -- in my opinion, it is
- 20 totally irrelevant that he was not at that
- 21 meeting.
- 22 Q. Okay. Well, why didn't you tell
- 23 the shareholders that?
- 24 A. Why didn't I tell the shareholders
- 25 what?

- 1 Q. That he was not a director who had
- 2 voted to approve the transaction, and therefore
- 3 the transaction -- the vote on the transaction
- 4 was not unanimous.
- 5 A. I cannot answer that, because it
- 6 did not -- that did not cross my mind. And it
- 7 was not pointed out to me in the drafting of
- 8 all the documents that, in fact, and in my
- 9 memory, in fact, that Mr. McKiernan was not at
- 10 the meeting of August the 2nd. He had been at
- 11 the majority of the other meetings and was very
- 12 proactive, so that, that is an error in the
- 13 document which to date I had not even been
- 14 aware of consciously.
- 15 Q. Okay. Do you believe that the
- 16 first part of the sentence that we're focused
- on now, your Board of Directors unanimously
- 18 approved the acquisition, stop, states that
- 19 aside from Mr. McKiernan who was in Europe, and
- 20 aside from Mr. Herron who had resigned and was
- 21 no longer a member of the Board, the remaining
- 22 six directors all voted unanimously in favor of
- 23 the transaction?
- 24 A. The -- I'm sorry, when you
- 25 mentioned Mr. Herron, I -- my mind went off in

- 1 another -- restate the first part of your
- 2 question again.
- 3 Q. Okay. You testified a moment ago
- 4 that you forgot that Mr. McKiernan was in
- 5 Europe.
- 6 A. Okay.
- 7 Q. And that to that extent this was
- 8 wrong, although you did not believe it's
- 9 material, correct?
- 10 A. Yes, sir, that's a good summation.
- 11 Q. Okay. Now, what I'm asking you
- 12 now is, is it a fair reading that the first
- 13 part of the sentence, your Board of Directors
- 14 unanimously approved the acquisition, stop,
- 15 means to convey that the six remaining
- 16 directors did, in fact, unanimously vote to
- 17 approve the transaction?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Okay. Mr. Brinker testified under
- 20 oath that he did not vote at the August 2nd,
- 21 1999 meeting. So, in fact, he never voted to
- 22 approve the transaction. Is that consistent
- 23 with your recollection?
- 24 A. Mr. Brinker, in any controversial
- 25 discussions that we ever got into, would always

- 1 use his position as Chair not to vote. And I
- 2 don't recall -- I don't believe there was any
- 3 discussion in this proceeding, but in other
- 4 proceedings that he would not -- it was not a
- 5 requirement for him to vote and would not do so
- 6 unless there was a tie. So I do not know what
- 7 was in his heart at the time.
- 8 Certainly this document went out
- 9 over his signature. He knew of the contents of
- 10 the document. And if at this juncture it's his
- 11 testimony that he didn't vote for the
- 12 transaction, that's something that's got to be
- 13 on his conscience, not mine.
- 14 Q. Okay. Let's see if we can put
- 15 aside what's in Mr. Brinker's heart and on Mr.
- 16 Brinker's conscious. At the August 2nd --
- 17 A. I can't address whether he said
- 18 aye or nay. There were no nays when he asked
- 19 for the vote. That's all I can -- that's all I
- 20 can tell you. There were -- there was nobody
- 21 sitting around that table of the six directors
- 22 present that said they were not in favor of
- 23 this transaction.
- 24 Q. Okay. My question is a little
- 25 different. You were at the meeting on August

- 1 2nd, 1999, correct?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Okay. Did Mr. Brinker vote?
- 4 A. I told you I -- whether he said
- 5 aye or nay, whether he said aye -- he called
- 6 for the vote. Should he have said aye? I
- 7 cannot address that. I do not know whether he
- 8 uttered anything or not. I, I can't tell
- 9 you --
- 10 Q. Okay.
- 11 A. -- because I don't know.
- 12 Q. Okay. Why don't you know?
- 13 A. What do you mean, why don't I
- 14 know? We didn't sit there and go around the
- 15 room, all in favor, aye, and there was some
- 16 grumblings and that was it. There was no aye,
- 17 aye, aye. There was not a call for a vote of
- 18 each individual person as to what their
- 19 position was. It just didn't happen that way.
- 20 Now, that would be a question why
- 21 he -- to him, as to why he didn't call for a
- 22 specific utterance from each individual so you
- 23 would know whether the relevance of that
- 24 paragraph -- you know, whether that paragraph
- 25 is correct or not. I can't address that, I

- 1 didn't run the meeting.
- 2 Q. Okay. Let me ask you to assume
- 3 for the sake of this question that Mr. Brinker
- 4 testified that he did not vote in favor of the
- 5 transaction or against the transaction. He
- 6 just didn't vote. If you assume for the
- 7 purposes of this question that that is a fact,
- 8 do you believe that the first part of that
- 9 sentence --
- 10 A. Then his document is wrong, okay?
- 11 Q. Okay. Let me finish the question.
- 12 Do you believe the first part of that sentence,
- 13 your Board of Directors unanimously approved
- 14 the acquisition, is correct?
- 15 A. I guess you could stretch that
- 16 into being it is not correct if he didn't vote
- 17 either way. I, I can only assume at this point
- 18 that if we sat around the table and nobody
- 19 uttered anything, we would still be sitting
- 20 there a year later. You know, it was the --
- 21 again, in prior meetings and, in fact, when you
- 22 look at this paragraph, it does not state that
- 23 it is the meeting of August the 2nd that it is
- 24 referencing.
- 25 MR. BRAUTIGAM: Okay. Move to

- 1 strike everything after "not correct."
- 2 Q. I thought we had covered that a
- 3 moment ago. When it says here, your Board of
- 4 Directors unanimously approved the acquisition,
- 5 stop. We are talking about that special
- 6 meeting on August 2nd, 1999, are we not?
- 7 A. How would we, the reader of that
- 8 document, know that, if you want to be that
- 9 specific?
- 10 Q. Well, can you answer that question
- 11 yes or no?
- 12 A. Are we talking about that meeting?
- 13 I believe the document is talking about that
- 14 meeting, yes.
- 15 Q. Okay. Is there any other possible
- 16 meeting that you're referring to?
- 17 A. There were, there were many
- 18 meetings in which all of the directors voiced
- 19 opinions as to whether they would and had
- 20 intention of approving the transaction.
- 21 Q. Was there any meeting, other than
- 22 the 8/2/1999 meeting, that you could think of
- 23 that would be referring to the first part of
- 24 that sentence, your Board of Directors
- 25 unanimously approved the acquisition, stop?

- 1 A. No. I believe it was the intent
- 2 of this paragraph to refer to the 8/2 meeting.
- 3 Q. Do you believe that the vote or
- 4 nonvote of the Chairman of the Board of
- 5 Directors on this transaction is material
- 6 information?
- 7 A. Whether he voted or not?
- 8 O. Yes.
- 9 A. I believe that -- yeah, I believe
- 10 that could be material information.
- 11 Q. Okay. Do you believe that it's
- 12 properly disclosed in this document, based on
- 13 our conversation today?
- 14 MR. RAMSEY: Objection.
- 15 A. It is not in the document that he
- 16 did not vote, if that is his testimony that he
- 17 did not.
- 18 Q. Okay. Actually it was also the
- 19 testimony of Mr. McKiernan. Mr. McKiernan --
- 20 A. Mr. McKiernan wasn't even there,
- 21 how would he know what Norb did?
- 22 Q. Actually, from the Board --
- 23 A. Mr. McKiernan cannot testify to
- 24 what Norb did on 8/2, he was thousands of miles
- 25 away.

- 1 Q. Actually I take that back. What
- 2 Mr. McKiernan said, and what I meant to convey,
- 3 was that Mr. McKiernan testified that it was
- 4 plain that the phrase, your Board of Directors
- 5 unanimously approved the acquisition, stop,
- 6 meant that of those directors who were there
- 7 and who were eligible to vote, that they had
- 8 unanimously approved the transaction. And I
- 9 pointed out that, well, that's not true and
- 10 correct, either.
- 11 A. Okay.
- 12 Q. But anyway, that's between --
- 13 A. Okay.
- 14 Q. -- Mr. McKiernan and myself.
- 15 A. Okay.
- 16 Q. I did not mean to misspeak
- 17 earlier.
- 18 A. Sure.
- 19 Q. Do you believe that whatever Mr.
- 20 Brinker did as Chairman of the Board should
- 21 have been disclosed to the shareholders? In
- 22 other words, if he didn't vote to approve the
- 23 transaction, fine, he could have said the
- 24 directors who were there and who were eligible
- 25 to vote, did vote to unanimously approve the

- 1 transaction, but I abstained. Do you think
- 2 that would have been better?
- 3 A. If it is his testimony and intent
- 4 to have abstained, yes. If he purposely, if he
- 5 purposely did not -- if he purposely did not
- 6 vote, then I believe that should have been
- 7 disclosed, yes, sir.
- 8 Q. Okay.
- 9 A. I believe that.
- 10 Q. It is his testimony that he
- 11 purposely did not vote, because he said he
- 12 never voted. He voted only to break ties and
- 13 he couldn't remember any ties. And he
- 14 purposely did not vote on this transaction or
- 15 any other transaction during the time he was
- 16 OHSL Chairman, although some people seem to
- 17 remember him breaking a tie.
- 18 A. Yes, he broke ties.
- 19 Q. It was his testimony that he did
- 20 not vote ever.
- 21 A. Okay.
- 22 Q. Okay. Why wasn't this disclosed
- 23 to the shareholders?
- 24 MR. RAMSEY: Objection.
- 25 A. I'm going to reiterate it again.

- 1 I was not aware of his abstention. I took
- 2 these minutes and if it was his will and wish
- 3 to have abstained, then he should have told me,
- 4 because if you -- he should have told me of
- 5 that fact. Because if you look through our
- 6 corporate minutes both on the savings and loan
- 7 side and on the holding company side, at
- 8 various meetings you will see abstentions
- 9 noted. That was something that I did on a
- 10 regular basis and I made sure I got the names
- 11 right.
- 12 So it was not an act that was
- 13 deliberate, it was an act that -- you know, it
- 14 was unanimous. He, in fact, declared that it
- 15 was unanimous and we moved on. Now, if it was
- 16 not unanimous and he didn't vote, or if it was
- 17 unanimous of those voting, then he should have
- 18 made some comment to the effect that the
- 19 transaction is approved by all of those voting
- 20 and I abstained, or what have you. He didn't
- 21 do that.
- 22 As the minute taker, I don't
- 23 believe -- and I'm not trying to absolve myself
- 24 of anything here -- I don't believe that that
- 25 was my responsibility to try to drag out of him

- 1 that he didn't vote in the transaction. It
- 2 never crossed my mind, because the man was for
- 3 the transaction very early on in the process.
- 4 So I would have never dreamt that at the, at
- 5 the final meeting when everything -- we had
- 6 done literally everything to be done except
- 7 take the final vote, that he would, he would
- 8 abstain from that vote. That never crossed my
- 9 mind until you raised the question right here
- 10 along, with Mr. McKiernan not being at the
- 11 meeting.
- 12 Q. Was Charlie Crowley in the room
- 13 when the vote was taken?
- 14 A. For the actual vote, I'm not sure
- 15 whether he had stepped out, but I believe that
- 16 they both were there, that Charlie and Jeff
- 17 were there.
- 18 Q. How about Cliff Roe?
- 19 A. Yes, he was there. That I know,
- 20 but Mr. -- but Mr. Crowley and Mr. Moritz were
- 21 in and out, making phone calls, so there is a
- 22 possibility he was not in the room. I, I am
- not certain of that, but Cliff was there, yes.
- 24 Q. Okay. Based on what I've told you
- 25 today, do you believe that the 8/2/99 special

DEPOSITION TESTIMONY: HERRON

1	circumstances I'm positive I used that
2	phrase with most of them that led me to that
3	decision.
4	Q. Okay. Would it be fair to say
5	that you were resigning in part in protest?
6	MR. BURKE: Objection.
7	Mischaracterizes the evidence. You may answer.
8	A. I don't know that "protest"
9	characterizes it. It was a very low profile
10	type of a thing. I was one of eight directors
11	and was the only one apparently against it as
12	of that July 22nd meeting.
13	Q. Well, what was Mr. Hanauer's
14	position at that July 22nd meeting?
15	A. In the vote that was taken, he
16	abstained.
17	Q. Did you perceive that as being
18	against the merger?
19	MR. BURKE: Objection. Calls for
20	speculation.
21	A. My personal perception of Ken
22	Hanauer up until that date was that he was
23	against the transaction.
24	Q. Did that change on that date?
25	A. Changed from a no vote to an

- 1 September 11th before the deposition, correct?
- 2 A. Correct.
- 3 Q. Did Mr. Burke correct in any way
- 4 what he told you previously that was not true?
- 5 A. No, he did not.
- 6 Q. Okay. I'm handing you what has
- 7 been marked as Herron Deposition Exhibit 8 and
- 8 I ask you to take a look at it. Have you seen
- 9 it before?
- 10 A. Yes, sir.
- 11 Q. Are you familiar with it?
- 12 A. Yes, I am.
- 13 Q. Do you recognize it?
- 14 A. Yes, I do.
- 15 Q. What is Herron Deposition Exhibit
- 16 8?
- 17 A. This is the transcript of my first
- 18 deposition session on September 11th, 2001.
- 19 Q. Have you had a full and fair
- 20 opportunity to review this transcript?
- 21 A. Yes, I have.
- 22 Q. Is there anything you would like
- 23 to change or anything you'd like to amplify
- 24 with respect to the first day of your
- 25 deposition?

- 1 Q. Page 14, line 23.
- 2 MR. BURKE: Thank you.
- 3 A. I'd like to amplify that comment.
- 4 The objection to relevance and the length of
- 5 the question were distracting. Of course the
- 6 document, by not stating complete information,
- 7 would not have been fair.
- 8 Q. Can you just reference which
- 9 document we're referring to?
- 10 A. The proxy statement, I'm sorry,
- 11 Herron Deposition Exhibit 2.
- 12 Q. Okay. Please continue.
- 13 A. Fairness on the grounds of
- 14 completeness and accuracy. Regarding page 30,
- 15 line -- the answer beginning with line eight,
- 16 the question was had I resigned in part in
- 17 protest. Being from the 1960s, my immediate
- 18 image of protest is something a little more
- 19 violent than what I was involved with here.
- 20 Protest, of course, is just an expression of
- 21 disapproval. And in that sense, I certainly
- 22 resigned in protest.
- 23 Q. Do you have anything else to add
- 24 or clarify or amplify with respect to that
- 25 transcript?

- 1 August the 2nd, 1999; is that right?
- 2 A. That's correct.
- 3 Q. Okay. You never did see the final
- 4 definitive agreement of merger because that was
- 5 prepared after July 22nd; is that correct?
- 6 MR. BRAUTIGAM: Objection. It was
- 7 included in the proxy materials.
- 8 A. Yes. I saw it in the proxy
- 9 materials.
- 10 Q. Okay. As a member of the Board of
- 11 Directors, you never saw a definitive merger
- 12 agreement, correct?
- 13 A. That's correct.
- 14 Q. Okay. That had not been prepared
- 15 as of July 22nd?
- 16 A. That's correct.
- 17 MR. BRAUTIGAM: Objection. He was
- 18 on the Board till the 30th.
- 19 MR. BURKE: Please don't testify,
- 20 Mr. Brautigam.
- 21 MR. BRAUTIGAM: Ask --
- 22 BY MR. BURKE:
- 23 Q. You indicated that at this
- 24 meeting, Mr. Brinker stated that he was in
- 25 favor of that transaction, correct?

- 1 A. Yes, sir.
- 2 Q. You also indicated that from your
- 3 prior experience with Mr. McKiernan, you knew
- 4 that he was in favor of the transaction,
- 5 correct?
- 6 MR. BRAUTIGAM: Objection.
- 7 Objection.
- 8 A. Yes, sir. And he voted the way I
- 9 expected him to vote.
- 10 Q. On July the 22nd?
- 11 A. Yes, sir.
- 12 Q. Was there any doubt in your mind
- 13 that Mr. McKiernan would vote in favor of this
- 14 transaction at any point after July 22nd, 1999?
- 15 MR. BRAUTIGAM: Objection.
- 16 A. I have no doubt at all.
- 17 Q. Okay. Is there any doubt in your
- 18 mind after what you heard on July 22nd, 1999,
- 19 that Mr. Brinker was going to continue to vote
- 20 in favor of this transaction when he had the
- 21 opportunity to do so?
- 22 MR. BRAUTIGAM: Objection. Wait a
- 23 second. Are you representing that he did vote
- 24 in favor of this transaction?
- 25 Q. You may answer, Mr. Herron.

- 1 MR. BRAUTIGAM: Objection. Let's
- 2 have the question read back, please.
- 3 (Record read by Reporter.)
- 4 MR. BRAUTIGAM: That
- 5 representation is directly contrary to the
- 6 evidence so far.
- 7 Q. You can answer, Mr. Herron.
- 8 A. Contrary to what I have said in
- 9 the past, he voted because he was asked to
- 10 vote. In all other situations, he was the
- 11 chairman, he was not asked to vote and, as I've
- 12 stated in the past, generally did not vote.
- 13 Q. Okay.
- 14 A. And that's different from
- 15 abstaining, correct?
- 16 MR. BRAUTIGAM: Objection.
- 17 A. Not voting?
- 18 Q. Yes.
- 19 A. And abstaining? I'm sorry, I
- 20 don't know the difference.
- 21 Q. Well, you'd indicated that Mr.
- 22 Brinker, during your experience, as chairman
- 23 did not vote unless he was asked to do so?
- 24 MR. BRAUTIGAM: Objection.
- 25 A. If a tie needed to be broken.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this Report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

OHSL FINANCIAL CORP.

Date: March 24, 1999

By: /s/Kenneth L. Hanauer

Kenneth L. Hanauer, President and Director

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, this Report has been signed below by the following persons on behalf of the Registrant and in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

/s/Kenneth L. Hanauer

/s/Norbet G. Brinker

_ ______ Kenneth L. Hanauer, President and Director (Principal Executive Officer)

Norbert G. Brinker, Chairman

of the Board

Date:

March 24, 1999

Date:

March 24, 1999

/s/William R. Hillebrand

/s/Thomas M. Harron William R. Hillebrand, Director Thomas M. Herron, Director

Date:

March 24, 1999

Date:

March 24, 1999

/s/Alvin E. Hucke _____

/s/Thomas E. McKiernan ______

Alvin E. Hucke, Director

Thomas E. McKiernan, Director

Date: March 24, 1999

Date: March 24, 1999

/s/Joseph J. Tenoever

/s/Howard H. Zoellner

_ _____ Joseph J. Tenoever, Director

______ Howard H. Zoellner, Director

Date: March 24, 1999

Date: March 24, 1999

/s/Patrick J. Condren

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Patrick J. Condren, Treasurer (Principal Financial and Accounting Officer)

Date: March 24, 1999

Exhibit 11. Earnings Per Share

The calculation of earnings per share ("EPS") is presented below. Earnings per share are calculated by dividing the Corporation's net income by the weighted average shares outstanding during the period. Weighted average shares

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- - Operating Carge 1100 mev 00798-SSB #TSH op Decuments 254 even Filed 01/30/2004 Page 49 of 60 is the result of three activities. First, \$693.4 million of automobiles were sold and leased back during 1998 and 1997. As these automobiles are subleased to third-party consumers, lease revenue from the consumers, net of lease expense to the purchasers of the automobiles, is recognized as operating lease income. Prior to the sales-leaseback transactions, the automobiles had been accounted for as direct finance leases on which interest income was recorded. Second, Information Leasing Corporation was acquired near the end of 1996. During 1998 and 1997, Information Leasing recognized operating lease revenue of \$8.6 million and \$8.8 million, respectively. Finally, the continued expansion of Provident Commercial Group resulted in an increase in operating lease revenue of \$4.1 million and \$7.5 million during 1998 and 1997, respectively.
- - Gain on Sales of Loans and Leases -- Provident securitizes and/or sells a portion of its loans and leases, while generally retaining the servicing of these loans and leases. The proceeds from these sales permit Provident to originate a higher volume of loans and leases than would normally be possible for a company its size. The following provides detail of the gain on sales recognized during the past three

TABLE 7: Gain on Sale of Loans and Leases

	1998	1997	1996
		(In Thousa	nds)
Gain/(Loss) Based on Cash Received:			
Equipment Lease Securitization	\$13 , 429	\$-	\$-
Equipment Lease Residuals	8,939	1,761	1,694
Auto Lease Sales and Terminations	7,549	4,804	2,468
Conforming Residential Loan Sales	5,077	6 , 335	2,266
Credit Card Whole Loan Sales	3,420	_	
Nonconforming Whole Loan Sales	290	495	1,800
Other Loan Sales	447	156	328
Gain/(Loss) Based on Retained Interest in			
Securitized Assets Received:			
Nonconforming Loan Securitizations	36,337	36,886	17,699
Prime Consumer Home Equity Securitizations	4,733	10,446	_
	\$80,221	\$60,883	\$26,255
	=======		

Equipment leases of \$211.3 million, originated or acquired by our Information Leasing business line, were securitized and sold during 1998. The recognized gain of \$13.4 million was based on cash cash received.

Consumer Financial Services business line, have been securitized and sold on a quarterly basis since 1996. Total loans securitized and sold were \$1,060 million, \$844 million and \$264 million in 1998, 1997 and 1996, respectively. Under these types of sales, gains or losses are determined based on a present value calculation of future cash flows, using the cash-out methodology, of the underlying loans, net of interest payments to security holders, loan loss and prepayment assumptions and normal servicing revenue. Interest income is recognized throughout the life of the securitization at the rate that the future cash flows have been discounted.

Under the securitizations, residual cash flows are retained in the securitization trusts and allowed to accumulate. These accumulated cash flows act as credit enhancement assets for the securitization trusts' security holders. Once certain targeted levels are achieved, subsequent residual cash flows are distributed to Provident on an unrestricted basis. In addition, the accumulated cash flows held within the securitization trusts will also be distributed to Provident over the term of the securitization. The cash-in method of determining the fair value of the retained interest in securitized assets discounts the projected residual cash flows at the time such cash flows are expected to be received by the securitization trust. The cash-out method of determining the fair value of retained interest in securitized assets required by the FASB and SEC discounts the projected residual cash flows at the time such cash flows are expected to be distributed to Provident.

During the first quarter of 1998, Provident changed its securitization structure as discussed in Note C to the Consolidated Financial Statements, and as a result, the calculation of gains on securitization of loans was computed using the cash-out method. Prior to 1998, the cash-in method had been used. During the fourth quarter of 1998, the Financial Accounting Standards Board and Securities and Exchange Commission indicated that the cash-out method is the only acceptable method to calculate gains. The cash-out method results in lower initial gains on the sale of loans and higher subsequent interest income from the accretion of the additional cash-out discount. As discussed in Provident's amended Form 10-K for 1997, prior years' results were restated to reflect the change in methodology.

Home equity loans have also been sold and securitized during 1998 and 1997. During 1998, \$183.2 million of home equity lines of credit were sold resulting in a recognized gain of \$4.7 million. During 1997, \$244.5 million of home equity loans were sold providing a gain of \$10.4 million.

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noncash loan sale gains. However, management believes it is making conservative assumptions as to anticipated prepayment speeds and credit losses. Prepayment speed assumptions for nonconforming loan securitizations have been increased, starting with a base 10% constant prepayment rate ("CPR") for unseasoned loans, and increasing during the life to a 35% CPR for sales occurring since June 30, 1998. Weighted average CPR's for all securitizations are 10.6% and 29.5% for the base CPR and ramped CPR, respectively. The average annual loan loss assumption is 1.06% and the total loan loss to loans sold is 3.25%.

No assurance can be provided that the level of loan originations and acquisitions, along with a favorable interest rate market, will continue to permit the recognition of such gains on sales of loans in future years.

- Security Gains -- Security gains increased during 1998 and 1997 as a result of management's decision to adopt a more active portfolio management style and to take advantage of interest rate movements.
- Other -- The largest components of revenue within other income have been income from investment in partnerships (\$1.7 million in 1998 and 2.9 million in 1997) and the receipt of additional consideration related to a loan that had been restructured (\$4.0 million in 1997 and \$10.0 million in 1996).

Noninterest Expense

Table 8 details the components of noninterest expense and their change since 1996:

TABLE 8: Noninterest Expense

				Percentage Increase (Decrea	
	1998	1997	1996	1998/97	1997/96
	(In Thousand:	s)		
Salaries and Employee Benefits	\$124,639	\$101,454	\$79,830	22.9%	27.1%
Depreciation on Operating					
Lease Equipment	21,662	17,667	7,221	. 22.6	144.7
Occupancy	16,951	12,744	9,673	33.0	31.7
Professional Services	18,276	14,912	11,463	22.6	30.1
Equipment Expense	20,771	15,208	11,348	36.6	34.0
Charges and Fees	14,317	12,652	8,583	13.2	47.4
Marketing	9,624	7,890	5,103	22.0	54.6
Other	54,161	43,451	33,780	24.6	28.6
Noninterest Expense Before					
Significant and Unusual Items	280,401	225,978	167,001	24.1	35.3
Special Charges and Exit Costs	22,005		-	_	_
One-Time Deposit Insurance Charge	_	-	8,161		-
	\$302,406	\$225,978	\$175,162	33.8%	29.0%
				=========	

Noninterest expense before significant and unusual items increased \$54.4 million (24%) and \$59.0 million (35%) during 1998 and 1997, respectively. Components of noninterest expense, along with an explanation as to their fluctuations, follow:

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Three Months Ended

PROVIDENT FINANCIAL GROUP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
(Unaudited)
(In Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)

	Three Months Ended March 31,		
	1999	1998	
Interest Income:			
Interest and Fees on Loans and Leases	\$131,582	\$123,142	
Interest on Investment Securities	24,588	23,157	
Other Interest Income	1,305	23,157 887	
Total Interest Income		147,186	
Interest Expense:			
Interest on Deposits:			
Savings and Demand Deposits	13,245	10,798	
Time Deposits	41,923	10,798 43,888	
Total Interest on Deposits	55,168	54,686	
Interest on Short-Term Debt	14,906	12,886	
Interest on Long-Term Debt	12,471	10.772	
Interest on Junior Subordinated Debentures	2,166	54,686 12,886 10,772 2,166	
Total Interest Expense		80,510	
Net Interest Income		66,676	
Provision for Loan and Lease Losses	12,900	5,000	
		5,000	
Net Interest Income After Provision			
for Loan and Lease Losses	59,864	61,676	
Noninterest Income:			
Service Charges on Deposit Accounts	7,264	6,412	
Other Service Charges and Fees	13,447	14,958	
Operating Lease Income	8,898	9,054	
Gain on Sales of Loans and Leases	31,839	13,526	
Security Gains (Losses)	(7)	3,692	
Other	3,126	6,412 14,958 9,054 13,526 3,692 2,063	
Total Noninterest Income Noninterest Expense:	64,567	49,705	
Salaries, Wages and Benefits	34,980	29,337	
Depreciation on Operating Lease Equipment	4,725	5,282	
Occupancy	4,208	3,807	
Equipment Expense	5,302	4,231	
Professional Fees	3,635	3,973	
Charges and Fees	3,732	2,394	
Other	15,715	29,337 5,282 3,807 4,231 3,973 2,394 15,607	
Total Noninterest Expense		64,631	
Income Before Income Taxes	52,134	46,750	
Applicable Income Taxes	18,379	16,090	
Net Income	\$33,755	\$30,660	
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Per Common Share:	ė 70	6 77	
Basic Earnings Per Share	\$.79	\$.71	
Diluted Earnings Per Share Cash Dividends Declared	.76	.68	
Cash Dividends Declared	.22	.20	

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

Noninterest Income

The following table details the components of noninterest income and their change for the first quarters of 1999 and 1998 (dollars in thousands):

	Three Mont Marc		
	1999	1998	Pctg Change
Service Charges on Deposit Accounts	\$7,264	\$6,412	13.3%
Other Service Charges and Fees	13,447	14,958	(10.1)
Operating Lease Income	8,898	9,054	(1.7)
Gain on Sales of Loans and Leases	31,839	13,526	135.4
Security Gains (Losses)	(7)	3,692	(100.2)
Other	3,126	2,063	51.5
Total Noninterest Income	\$64,567	\$49,705	29.9

Noninterest income for the first quarter of 1999 increased by \$14.9 million, or 30%, from the prior year first quarter. Explanations for significant changes in noninterest income by category follow:

- - Service charges on deposit accounts increased \$0.9 million due primarily from pricing and volume increases of corporate and personal demand deposit accounts. Also ATM surcharges have increased due to the placement of ATMs in Wal-mart and Sam's Club stores.
- Other service charges and fees decreased \$1.5 million as the first quarter of 1998 included gains on the sale of stock and stock warrants of commercial loan customers which had been received as part of the loan fee structure. Offsetting this decrease was an increase in loan servicing fees principally resulting from the 1998 nonconforming and warehouse lending loan sales and the auto saleleaseback transactions.

- Gain on sales of loans and leases increased \$18.3 million during the first quarter of 1999 as compared to the first quarter of 1998. The following table provides detail of the gain on sales recognized during the first quarters of 1999 and 1998 (in thousands):

	Three Months Ended March 31,		
	1999	1998	
Gain/(Loss) Based on Cash Received:			
Equipment Lease Securitization	\$6,914	\$-	
Equipment Lease Residuals	2,642	230	
Auto Lease Sales and Terminations	1,925	623	
Conforming Residential Loan Sales			
Servicing Released	873	634	
Nonconforming Whole Loan Sales	141	169	
Credit Card Whole Loan Sales	_	3,238	
Other Loan Sales	20	781	
Gain/(Loss) Based on Retained Interest			
in Securitized Asset Received:			
Nonconforming Loan Securitizations	19,324	7,851	
	\$31,839	\$13,526	

During the first quarter of 1999, \$116 million of equipment leases, originated or acquired by the Information Leasing Corporation unit, were securitized and sold. This sale generated a cash gain of \$6.9 million. During the first quarter of 1998, \$38 million of credit cards receivables were sold servicing released resulting in a cash gain of \$3.2 million.

Nonconforming residential loans, originated or acquired by the Provident Consumer Financial Services business line, have been securitized and sold on a quarterly basis since 1996. Major characteristics of these nonconforming loans include: 85% with "B" credit grade or better; 65% with full documentation and 10% to 15% with reduced documentation; 65% have prepayment penalties; 95% are secured by first mortgages; 90% are owner occupied; and, on average, have a 75% loan-to-value ratio. Total loans securitized and sold were \$515 million and \$200 million in the first quarter of 1999 and 1998, respectively. Under these types of sales, gains or losses are determined based on a present value calculation of future cash flows, using the cash-out methodology, of the underlying loans, net of interest payments to security holders, loan loss and prepayment assumptions and normal servicing revenue. Interest income is recognized throughout the life of the securitization at the rate that the future cash flows have been discounted.

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PROVIDENT FINANCIAL GROUP, INC. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME (Unaudited)

(In Thousands, Except Per Share Amounts)

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,	
	1999	1998		1998
Interest Income: Interest and Fees on Loans and Leases Interest on Investment Securities Other Interest Income	25,669	27,009	\$267,298 50,257 2,813	50,166
Total Interest Income Interest Expense: Interest on Deposits: Savings and Demand Deposits Time Deposits	162,893	155,299 12,429	320,368 26,344 84,788	302,485
Total Interest on Deposits Interest on Short-Term Debt Interest on Long-Term Debt Interest on Junior Subordinated Debentures	55,964 15,220 10,822 2,226	55,240 18,306 10,761 2,165	111,132 30,126 23,293 4,392	109,926 31,192 21,533 4,331
Total Interest Expense	84,232	86,472	168,943	166,982
Net Interest Income Provision for Loan and Lease Losses	78,661 8,050	68,827 5,000	151,425 20,950	135,503 10,000
Net Interest Income After Provision for Loan and Lease Losses Noninterest Income: Service Charges on Deposit Accounts Other Service Charges and Fees Operating Lease Income Gain on Sales of Loans and Leases Security Gains Other	70,611 7,867 17,867 10,334 20,263 113 2,473	63,827 6,789 13,843 9,405 21,023 2,024 3,747	130,475 15,131 31,314 19,232 52,102 106 5,599	125,503 13,201 28,801 18,459 34,549 5,716 5,810
Total Noninterest Income Noninterest Expense: Salaries, Wages and Benefits Depreciation on Operating Lease Equipment Occupancy Equipment Expense Professional Fees Charges and Fees Other	58,917	56,831	123,484 69,397 10,303 8,556 11,155 8,620 7,169 31,759	106,536
Total Noninterest Expense	74,662	70,904	146,959	135,535
Income Before Income Taxes Applicable Income Taxes	54,866 19,340	49,754 17,364	107,000 37,719	96,504 33,454
Net Income	\$35,526	\$32,390	\$69,281	\$63,050
Per Common Share: Basic Earnings Per Share Diluted Earnings Per Share Cash Dividends Declared	\$.83 .80 .22	\$.75 .72 .20	\$1.62 1.56 .44	\$1.46 1.40 .40

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

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Noninterest Income

The following table details the components of noninterest income and their change for the second quarter and first six-month periods of 1999 and 1998 (dollars in thousands):

	Three Months Ended June 30,		Six Months Ended June 30,			
	1999	1998	Pctg Change	1999	1998	Pctg Change
Service Charges on Deposit Accounts		\$6,789	15.9%		\$13,201	14.6%
Other Service Charges and Fees Operating Lease Income Gain on Sales of Loans and Leases	17,867 10,334 20,263	13,843 9,405 21.023	29.1 9.9 (3.6)	31,314 19,232 52,102	28,801 18,459 34,549	8.7 4.2 50.8
Security Gains Other	113 2,473	2,024 3,747	(94.4) (34.0)	106 5,599	5,716 5,810	(98.1) (3.6)
Total Noninterest Income	\$58,917	\$56,831	3.7	\$123,484	\$106,536	15.9

Noninterest income for the three-month and six-month periods ended June 30, 1999 increased by \$2.1 million and \$16.9 million, respectively, over the comparable periods in 1998. Explanations for significant changes in noninterest income by category follow:

- Service charges on deposit accounts increased \$1.1 million and \$1.9 million in the quarterly and six-month comparisons. The increases for both periods were a result of pricing and volume increases on corporate and personal demand deposit accounts. Also ATM surcharges have risen due to the placement of ATMs in Wal-mart and Sam's Club stores.
- Other service charges and fees increased \$4.0 million and \$2.5 million in the quarterly and six-month comparisons. The higher revenue was primarily due to increases in loan servicing fees, from the nonconforming, warehouse lending and auto sale-leaseback securitization transactions, credit card fees and trust fees. Offsetting these higher fees were reduced stock and warrant gains, which had been received as part of certain loan fee structures.

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- Gain on sales of loans and leases decreased \$.8 million during the second quarter of 1999 as compared to the second quarter of 1998, but increased \$17.6 million during the first half of 1999 as compared to the first half of 1998. The following table provides detail of the gain on sales recognized during the second quarter and first six month periods of 1999 and 1998 (in thousands):

			Six Months Ended June 30,		
	1999	1998	1999	1998	
Cash Gains Lease Terminations: Equipment Lease Residual Sales Auto Lease Sales and Terminations	\$1,019 700		\$3,661 2,625		
	1,719	7,744	6,286	8,597	
Cash Gains Loan and Lease Sales: Equipment Lease Securitization Conforming Residential Whole Loan Sales Nonconforming Residential Whole Loan Sales Credit Card Whole Loan Sales Other Loan Sales	576 - - 301	1,474 75 247 744	6,914 1,449 141 321 8,825	2,108 244 3,485 1,525	
Non-cash Gains Loan and Lease Sales: Nonconforming Residential Loan Securitizations Credit Card Loan Securitizations	14,372 3,295		33,696 3,295		
	17,667	10,739	36,991	18,590	
	\$20,263	\$21,023	\$52,102	\$34,549	

Significant loan and lease sales occurring in 1999 and 1998 follow:

- During the first six months of 1999, \$1.0 billion of nonconforming residential loans were securitized and sold resulting in non-cash gains of \$33.7 million, a gain to loans sold ratio of 3.27%. During the first six months of 1998, \$435 million of nonconforming residential loans were sold producing non-cash gains of \$18.6 million, a gain to loans sold ratio of 4.27%. The lower gain to loans sold ratio for 1999 was due primarily to more conservative assumptions and higher funding costs.
- Credit card receivables of \$185.0 million were securitized and sold in the second quarter of 1999, generating a non-cash gain of \$3.3 million.
- Equipment leases totaling \$115.0 million were sold during the first quarter of 1999, resulting in a cash gain of \$6.9 million.
- A cash gain of \$3.2 million was recognized on \$38.3 million of credit card whole loan sales during the first quarter of 1998.

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Nonconforming residential loans, originated or acquired by the Provident Consumer Financial Services business line, have been securitized and sold on a quarterly basis since 1996. Major characteristics of these nonconforming loans include: 60% with "A" credit grade and 25% with "B" credit grade; 65% with full documentation and 10% with reduced documentation; 65% have prepayment penalties; 95% are secured by first mortgages; 90% are owner occupied; and, on average, have a 78% loan-to-value ratio.

Loan sales through securitizations permit Provident to enhance operating profits, provide for immediate cash flows to fund additional loan originations, and provide for future cash flows generated by the interest payment differentials between interest paid by the borrowers and remitted to the investors. Total loans securitized and sold were \$515 million and \$235 million in the second quarter of 1999 and 1998, respectively. The methodology used by Provident to calculate gains on sale of these securities follow:

- An amortization schedule is created for the loan portfolio based on each loan's maturity, rate and balance.
- 2) The amortization schedule is adjusted using a prepayment speed curve. The prepayment curve estimates the actual timing of principal payments by mortgage borrowers.
- 3) The net spread is calculated on the loan portfolio by taking the cash inflows (loan portfolio yield and prepayment penalties) and reducing it by the cash outflows (bond yield paid to investors, servicing fees and other fees). Prepayments reduce the average life of the portfolio, which in turn reduces the net spread collected by Provident.
- 4) The present value of the net spread is calculated by applying a discount rate indicative of the risk associated with the transaction.
 - In traditional credit enhancement structures, the net spread is used to create excess collateral as credit support. In these transactions, cash flow to Provident is delayed until the target over-collateralization is met and cash is released. This delay in cash receipts reduces the present value.
 - Beginning with the March 1998 securitization, Provident has provided credit enhancement in the form of a cash reserve account. Therefore Provident does not experience delays in cash receipts. The spread is not subordinated to the losses. Losses are paid directly from the cash reserve account instead of reducing the net spread. In addition the cash reserve account is placed in a noninterest bearing checking account at Provident, whereby no cash outlay is experienced in the funding of the
- 5) The gain is calculated by taking the present value of the net spread and reducing it by the present value of the expected credit losses, underwriting expenses, accounting and legal fees and deferred expenses paid to originate the loans.